109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. R. 699

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to include podiatrists as physicians for purposes of covering physicians services under the Medicaid Program.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 9, 2005

Ms. Degette (for herself, Mr. Castle, Mr. Becerra, and Mr. Weldon of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

## A BILL

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  - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
  - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
  - 3 SECTION 1. INCLUDING PODIATRISTS AS PHYSICIANS
  - 4 UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
  - 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1905(a)(5)(A) of the So-
- 6 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)(5)(A)) is amended
- 7 by striking "section 1861(r)(1)" and inserting "para-
- 8 graphs (1) and (3) of section 1861(r)".

- 1 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 2 subsection (a) shall apply to services furnished on or after

3 January 1, 2006.

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